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Dear Sir:

The Applicant agrees with the Examiner's Amendment of Claim 33, particularly removing the redundant "said".

The Examiner is thanked for the phone call of September 7, 2004.

In addition, as requested by the Examiner, a new declaration directed at this case is enclosed herewith.

Should the Examiner believe that a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of this application, the undersigned can be reached at the telephone number set out below.

Respectfully submitted,
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DECLARATION UNDER 37 CFR § 1.132

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

I, Eric Lenz, declare the following:

1. I am one of the inventors of the invention set forth in the above referenced application.
2. I am the sole inventor of the subject matter disclosed in International Publication WO 99/67807, which was used as a basis for rejection of claims in the above referenced application.
3. I am the sole inventor of claims 1-10 set forth in the above referenced application.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true. I further declare that these statements are made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both (under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code), and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

Date

9/16/04

Eric Lenz:

